



# NEW JERSEY FFA ASSOCIATION

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## MEMO

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To: 89<sup>th</sup> National FFA Convention Attendees

From: Erin Noble, State FFA Specialist

Re: 89<sup>th</sup> National FFA Convention – October Update

### **Participant Lists, Advisor Statement of Assurances, and Student Codes of Conduct**

**If you have not submitted your New Jersey FFA Participant List, Student Codes of Conduct and the Advisor Statement of Assurances, please submit them to the Office of Agricultural Education immediately.** These materials can be downloaded from [http://www.jerseyageducation.nj.gov/agriculture/ag\\_ed/bulletin/NatConParticipantForm.xls](http://www.jerseyageducation.nj.gov/agriculture/ag_ed/bulletin/NatConParticipantForm.xls). The participant list can be sent via e-mail to [ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us](mailto:ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us). The Advisor Statement of Assurances and Student Codes of Conduct can be faxed to 609-633-2421 or scanned and emailed to [ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us](mailto:ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us).

### **Convention Registration**

Pre-registration is closed. Only onsite registration is available. Onsite registration is \$75 per person.

### **New Jersey FFA Breakfast – RSVP by Tuesday, October 11, 2016**

The New Jersey FFA Breakfast will be held on **Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at the Hard Rock Café Indianapolis (49 South Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46204) from 7:00 – 8:30 a.m.** Breakfast will begin at 7:00 am. Please arrive promptly at 7:00 am, you may leave as your schedule permits, but it is important that you arrive by 7:00 am. If you haven't already, please RSVP no later than Tuesday, October 11 with the number of attendees you will have at the breakfast.

### **State Photo**

New Jersey's state photo will occur at **12:45 pm on Thursday, Oct. 20** in Indiana Convention Center, Hall A (adjacent to the Agriscience Fair). Hope to see you there!

### **State Suite**

Tickets are available for the State **Suite #37**. Spots are limited so get your requests in by Tuesday, October 11. Some sessions are closed out already.

### **State Booth**

The New Jersey FFA Association will have a booth in the Hall of States at the Career Expo highlighting New Jersey agriculture. Kelsey Stockton, State FFA Parliamentarian will be working with the Freehold FFA Chapter, the 1st place Hall of States team and Heidi Hyland (Allentown), National Convention Scholarship recipient in coordinating the booth.

We encourage chapter members to visit our booth during convention. Career show hours are:

- Wednesday, October 19- 12:30 pm – 5:00 pm
- Thursday, October 20 – 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
- Friday, October 21 – 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

### **National FFA Convention New Jersey Room Block**

There are two hotels in the New Jersey room block.

- **Holiday Inn Airport AmeriPlex**, 8555 Stansted Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46241  
(<https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/indianapolis/indax/hoteldetail>)
- **Hampton Inn & Suites Indianapolis Airport**, 9020 Hatfield Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46231  
(<http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/indiana/hampton-inn-and-suites-indianapolis-airport-INDARHX/index.html>).

Please contact your respective hotel directly to get the balance of your hotel expenses for the week, confirm your arrival and departure dates and identify any special room needs. The final room payment will be due directly to the hotel.



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## NATIONAL CONVENTION

### STATS & FACTS



- **Schools Attending - 16 Chapters** (Allentown, Belvidere, Biotechnology, Cape May Tech, Cumberland Regional, Freehold, Hackettstown, Monmouth County, Newton, Northern Burlington, Penns Grove, Phillipsburg, Salem County Vo. Tech, South Hunterdon, Warren Hills, Woodstown)
- 155+ New Jersey Representatives
- **3 State Association Delegates** – Myranda Bond, Morgan Rutar, Renee Stillwell
- **American Degree Recipients** (Five Students)
  - George Franklin Stillwell (Allentown), Michaela A. Kramer (Freehold), Michael Gregory Drislane (Newton), Thomas R. Rinehart (Newton), Benjamin A. Wainwright (Northern Burlington)
- **Honorary Degree Recipients** (Four Adults)
  - Mr. Mark Biedron (President – New Jersey Board of Education)
  - Mrs. Kristina Guttadora (Executive Director – New Jersey Agricultural Society)
  - Mr. Ryck Suydam (President – New Jersey Farm Bureau)
  - Mrs. Kim Ann Szulecki (Teacher of Agriculture – Ocean County Vocational Technical School)
- **National Chapter Recognition**
  - Two Stars (Three Schools)
    - Allentown, Penns Grove and Salem Co. Vo. Tech
- **National Convention Scholarship Recipient** - Heidi Hyland, Allentown
- **Competitions**
  - Team CDE (67 Students)
    - Agricultural Issues, Agricultural Sales, Agricultural Technology & Mechanical Systems, Dairy Cattle Management & Evaluation, Environmental & Natural Resources, Farm Business Management, Floriculture, Forestry, Horse Evaluation, Livestock Evaluation, Meats Evaluation & Technology, Milk Quality & Products, Nursery Landscape, Parliamentary Procedure, Poultry Evaluation, Veterinary Science
  - Individual CDE (4 Students)
    - Creed Speaking, Dairy Cattle Handlers Activity, Extemporaneous Speaking, and Prepared Public Speaking
  - Agriscience Fair Finalists (6 Individuals & 3 Teams – 12 Students Total)
- **State Officer Activities**
  - State Flag Bearer – Josh Loew, State FFA Sentinel
  - Days of Service
  - Leadership Workshops
- **State Booth for Career Show**
  - Freehold FFA Chapter & Kelsey Stockton, State FFA Parliamentarian
- **National Judges**
  - Hannah Mann, Leevon Lacy, Keely DiTizio, Debra McCluskey
- **National Alumni Convention Delegate**
  - Hannah Mann
- **New Jersey Awards Receptions**
- **State Recognition Breakfast**
  - Wednesday, October 19, 2016

